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TAGS: DELINQUENT FMS PAYMENTS

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1. PRESIDENT CALLED ME AFTERNOON JUNE 14 TO ASK WHETHER
PAYMENT HAD YET BEEN MADE TO TREASURY ACCOUNT. WHEN I TOLD HIM
NO, HE GROANED AGAIN, SAID HE WAS TAKING ACTION AND WOULD
HAVE MPOUHO CONTACT ME.

2. AN HOUR LATER MPOUHO CALLED ASKING ME TO COME AND SEE HIM
MORNING JUNE 15. WHEN I DID SO, HE HANDED ME COPY OF TELEX
FROM BANQUE DU GABON ET DU LUXEMBOURG (BGL) TO THEIR PARIS
OFFICE DATED JUNE 14, INSTRUCTION PARIS OFFICE TO PAY CHEMICAL
BANK NEW YORK DOLLAR EQUIVALENT OF CFA 113,306,475 FOR
DEPOSIT TO TREASURY ACCOUNT "BY ORDER OF GOG." HE THEN
CALLED BGL IN MY PRESENCE AND TOLD THEM HE WANTED CONFIRMA-
TION OF TRANSFER FROM PARIS OFFICE TO CHEMICAL BANK TO GIVE
TO ME. BGL PROMISED TO DO SO WHEN THEY HAD IT.

3. I TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO REMIND MPOUHO THAT ANOTHER PAYMENT
WAS DUE JUNE 30 WHICH IF NOT MADE ON TIME WOULD PROLONG PROBLEM.
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HE NODDED BUT SAID HE WANTED THIS ONE TAKEN CARE OF FIRST
AND THEN WOULD COPE WITH SECOND ONE.

4. WE THUS SEEM TO BE STARTING ALL OVER AGAIN AND ONCE
MORE I WOULD APPRECIATE NEWS FROM DEPT CONCERNING PAYMENT
OR NON-PAYMENT TO TREASURY ACCOUNT. BONGO IS CLEARLY WORRIED
AND UPSET THAT PAYMENT HAS NOT YET BEEN MADE.

5. FOR AF/C: SINCE DRAFTING ABOVE, I HAVE HAD LONG TALK
WITH AMB MAMBOUKA WHO TELLS ME HE IS HERE TO TRY AND STRAIGHTEN
MATTER OUT. TELEPHONE CALL FROM PRESIDENT YESTERDAY AFTERNOON
WAS APPARENTLY RESULT OF HIS EFFORTS. TIENKEN

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